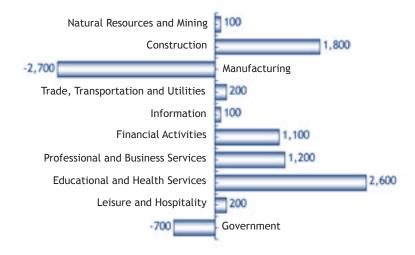
New Hampshire's private employment expansion got a boost from Manufacturing, and Professional and Business services with 600 job increases from each.

Monthly Not Seasonally Adjusted New Hampshire Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment

Current Employment Statistics	Number of Jobs			Change	
Employment by Supersector	Aug-06	Jul-06	Aug-05	from previous:	
by place of establishment	preliminary	revised		Month	Year
Total All Supersectors	644,000	643,900	640,500	100	3,500
Private Employment Total	565,900	565,100	561,700	800	4,200
Natural Resources and Mining	1,200	1,200	1,100	0	100
Construction	33,500	33,300	31,700	200	1,800
Manufacturing	76,600	76,000	79,300	600	-2,700
Durable Goods	59,000	58,400	60,300	600	-1,300
Non-Durable Goods	17,600	17,600	19,000	0	-1,400
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	142,000	142,600	141,800	-600	200
Wholesale Trade	27,400	27,500	27,900	-100	-500
Retail Trade	99,700	99,900	98,800	-200	900
Transportation and Utilities	14,900	15,200	15,100	-300	-200
Information	12,900	12,900	12,800	0	100
Financial Activities	41,000	40,900	39,900	100	1,100
Professional and Business	62,400	61,800	61,200	600	1,200
Educational and Health	99,900	100,000	97,300	-100	2,600
Leisure and Hospitality	74,800	74,800	74,600	0	200
Other Services	21,600	21,600	22,000	0	-400
Government Total	78,100	78,800	78,800	-700	-700

Change in Nonfarm Employment

Aug 2005 to Aug 2006



Monthly Analysis of Current Employment Statistics (CES) Data

For further analysis please read the *Detailed Monthly Analysis of Industry Employment Data* on our Web site at <www.nhes.state.nh.us/elmi/nonfarm.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted:

Seasonally adjusted estimates for August showed that New Hampshire employers reduced the work force by 400 jobs overall.

Trade, transportation, and utilities (supersector 40) led the way with a 1,200-job reduction. Professional and business services (supersector 60) and leisure and hospitality (supersector 70) followed with a 100-job cutback each.

Employment totals in information (supersector 50) held at the previous month's level in preliminary seasonally adjusted estimates for August.

Offsetting the previously mentioned losses, construction (supersector 20), education and health services (supersector 65), other services (supersector 80), and government (supersector 90) each added 200 jobs to their respective payrolls. Manufacturing (supersector 30) and financial activities (supersector 55) completed employment activity for August each with a 100-job expansion.

Unadjusted:

Total nonfarm employment grew by 100 jobs in August's preliminary unadjusted estimates.

Monthly Unadjusted Nonfarm Wage and Salary Employment by Metropolitan Statistical Areas

	Manchester NH MetroNECTA			Nashua NH Division, N			MetroNECT	Portsmouth NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion		Rochester-Dover NH-ME MetroNECTA, NH Portion		
Employment by Sector number of jobs	preliminary	Change previou		preliminary	Change previo		preliminary	Change previo		preliminary	Change previo	
by place of establishment	Aug-06		Year	Aug-06		Year	Aug-06		Year	Aug-06	Month	Year
Total All Sectors	100,900	200	3,600	130,500	0	900	57,900	-100	1,200	53,300	200	300
Private Employment Total	91,200	300	3,300	119,800	100	400	49,300	0	1,200	43,500	300	500
Natural Resources and Construction	5,700	0	100	6,800	0	400	1,900	0	100	2,300	0	100
Manufacturing	9,500	0	0	25,600	0	-300	3,600	0	-100	6,700	200	0
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	21,200	100	1,000	30,700	0	-200	11,700	200	100	11,100	0	-200
Wholesale Trade	5,100	0	100	6,100	100	100	2,000	0	0	1,500	0	-100
Retail Trade	12,900	100	500	20,900	100	200	8,400	200	0	8,700	100	0
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	Data not ava	ilable		3,700	-200	-500	1,300	0	100	900	-100	-100
Information	3,500	100	200	2,200	0	100	1,800	0	0	1,300	100	100
Financial Activities	8,800	0	100	9,400	0	-300	5,400	0	300	2,900	0	100
Professional and Business	12,800	200	1000	12,600	100	-700	9,100	100	300	3,900	0	100
Educational and Health	16,400	0	400	15,600	00	600	5,800	0	200	7,500	0	200
Leisure and Hospitality	9,200	-100	500	12,100	0	700	8,400	-300	300	5,900	0	100
Services	4,100	0	0	4,800	0	100	1,600	0	0	1,900	0	0
Government Total	9,700	-100	300	10,700	-100	500	8,600	-100	0	9,800	-100	-200

Average Earnings and Hours of Production Workers in Manufacturing

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average	Weekly Hou	ırs	Average Hourly Earnings				
	Aug-06	Jul-06	Aug-05	Aug-06	Jul-06	Aug-05	Aug-06	Jul-06	Aug-05		
Sector	preliminary	revised		preliminary	revised		preliminary	revised			
New Hampshire											
All Manufacturing	\$680.46	\$677.21	\$653.78	40.6	40.6	41.3	\$16.76	\$16.68	\$15.83		
Durable Goods	\$693.72	\$690.89	\$666.21	41.0	41.1	41.9	\$16.92	\$16.81	\$15.90		
Nondurable Goods	\$637.45	\$635.38	\$614.64	39.3	39.3	39.4	\$16.22	\$16.25	\$15.60		
Manchester NH MetroNECTA											
All Manufacturing	\$843.59	\$789.98	\$648.43	42.8	42.2	40.2	\$19.71	\$18.72	\$16.13		
Nashua NH-MA NECTA Division, NH Portion											
All Manufacturing	\$774.40	\$759.93	\$725.47	43.9	43.8	42.7	\$17.64	\$17.35	\$16.99		

Note: Production workers and information for Portsmouth and Rochester are not currently available.

Government (supersector 90) employed 700 fewer workers, while trade, transportation, and utilities (supersector 40) dropped 600 from the rolls. Education and health services (supersector 65) pared its staff by 100 jobs.

For some industry groups, August proved to be a month of stability in terms of employment activity. Natural resources and mining (supersector 10), information (supersector 50), leisure and hospitality (supersector 70), and other services (supersector 80) did not alter their employment levels during the month.

Manufacturing (supersector 30) and professional and business services (supersector 60) each posted a 600-job addition to their rolls, while construction (supersector 20) increased its crew size by 200. Financial activities (supersector 55) wrapped up August's employment activity with a 100-job gain.

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